

Tasmania 10 Day Escorted Tour



FEB 2025
10 DAY PACKAGE
\$6,220
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Experience Tasmania

Discover Tasmania's wonders on this fully escorted 10-day tour with Georgie Imhoff in February 2025. Immerse yourself in the island's breathtaking landscapes, rich history, and vibrant culture. Join us for an unforgettable adventure through Tassie!

FREE HOME PICKUP & RETURN: Melbourne, Geelong, Torquay, Bellarine Peninsula, Warrnambool, Terang, Camperdown, Colac, Ararat, Ballarat, Bacchus Marsh, Bendigo & all Melbourne airports. Additional locations may be an option, please enquire directly with us.

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 **DEPARTING:**
MONDAY
03 FEB 2025



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Home / Launceston

Home pick up, if applicable, is provided by Christians Travel to Melbourne Tullamarine Airport. Your Qantas flight departs from Melbourne Airport at 9:40am, with a 20kg luggage allowance. Upon arrival at Launceston Airport at 10:50am (subject to change at late notice), our first stop is the Josef Chroy estate, a must visit on our Northern Tasmanian itinerary. Here, you'll savour the cellar door offerings and enjoy a delicious lunch platter. Take a leisurely stroll around the lake and soak in the charm of this picturesque 1800s homestead. Enjoy tastings, including four wines from the cellar door. Afterwards, our luxury coach will take you through Launceston, one of Australia's oldest cities, known for its well-preserved early cityscape, elegant Colonial and Victorian architecture, and century-old parks.

DINNER 2 Course Welcome Dinner at the Hotel Grand Chancellor Restaurant

OVERNIGHT Superior Room at Hotel Grand Chancellor Restaurant

Launceston / Beaconsfield / Beauty Point / Seahorse World

Enjoy a buffet breakfast before a 50-minute Cataract Gorge Cruise, exploring Launceston's Seaport precinct. Departing from Home Point, you'll learn about the history. Lunch is at your own expense, with many eateries along the Cataract Gorge boardwalk to choose from.

From Launceston, you'll visit Beaconsfield, a town rich in history, with cafes, a bakery, and an art gallery. Explore the town's history with the "walk of gold" or relax in the park. Then, enjoy a 1-hour fully guided tour at Seahorse World at Beauty Point, an award-winning facility dedicated to seahorse conservation.

In the afternoon, visit Waterton Hall, an 1850s historic estate with vineyards and gardens along the Tamar River. Enjoy a garden tour, taste six varieties of wine, and savour some afternoon tea as we spend a few delightful hours in the dappled afternoon light with our private tour and experience.

As we cross the Batman Bridge, you will have the chance to view vineyards, fruit farms, forested hills, farmland, and picturesque riverside towns as we make our way along the eastern side of the Tamar River back to Launceston.

DINNER 2 Course Dinner at the Hotel Grand Chancellor Restaurant

OVERNIGHT Superior Room at Hotel Grand Chancellor Restaurant

Christmas Hills / Cudleigh / Sheffield / Ashgrove Cheese / Anvers Chocolates / Devonport

Today Geoff, our private Launceston guide will collect us for a two-hour tour filled with fascinating historical insights. We'll visit the historic Franklin House, an 1838 Georgian residence and former boys' school, where you can explore the house and gardens next to St James Church. Enjoy morning tea arranged by Geoff and the local CWA, along with a guided tour of the church grounds and Franklin Village. Immerse yourself in Launceston's charming heritage-listed buildings and warm local hospitality.

After arriving at the Christmas Hills Raspberry Farm, you will sample the fresh produce. You are welcome to stroll around the lakeside information walk overlooking birdlife and the commercial raspberry farm.

From here, we visit the small village of Chudleigh known as The Honey Town. Inside, you will be taken on a journey of discovery into the amazing world of the honeybee. There are over 50 different honey varieties to taste, from single origin honeys, such as Tasmanian Leatherwood, to indulgent gourmet delights like the rich Honey Chocolate Paste. After tasting the honeys, explore the secrets of the hive with audiovisual and interactive displays. A highlight is the glass beehive, where you can watch the bees busily producing honey, try to spot the queen bee, and maybe even witness a newly born bee hatching from its cell - all from behind the safety of glass.

The day continues with a visit to the historic town of Sheffield. Once a centre for industry, the town has reinvented itself and is now famous with over 140 striking murals that adorn the towns buildings. With more to see and sample we visit Ashgrove Cheeses, Tasmania's award-winning cheese producer.

Next we travel to Nietta and Kaydale Lodge Garden where two sisters work tirelessly to maintain and extend their garden. Superb stone walls and fences, astonishing pear walk, grand wisteria arbor, kitchen garden with new greenhouse, stand testament to their endeavors. When the sun goes down, they get busy in the kitchen bottling, pickling and preserving their fruit and vegetables.

If time permits, we may drive to the beautiful Leven Canyon on our way to Devonport.

DINNER 2 Course Dinner at the Novotel Devonport Hotel

OVERNIGHT Novotel Devonport Hotel - Standard King or Twin Queen Room

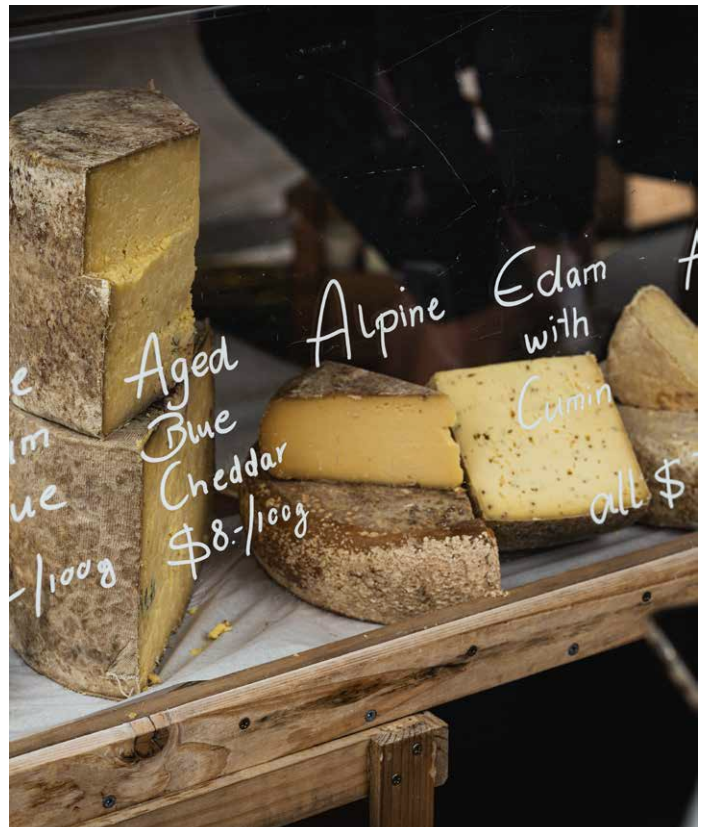
Strahan / World Heritage Wilderness Cruise / Macquarie Harbour / Former Penal Colony Sarah Island

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at View 42 Restaurant Strahan Village before making our way to the harbour. From the comfort of our Premium Main Deck Window on the World Heritage Cruises vessel, we enjoy the natural and historic features of Macquarie Harbour. This includes sights such as Hells Gates, various aquaculture farms, and a stopover and guided tour of Sarah Island, one of Australia's oldest and most notorious penal colonies. Afterward, we will enter Tasmania's World Heritage Wilderness to cruise the famous Gordon River to Heritage Landing, where we can take a walk through a cool temperate rainforest. The journey will be accompanied by informative and interesting narrative. During the cruise, a superb buffet luncheon featuring locally raised smoked salmon will be prepared fresh daily and included. Upon disembarking the vessel at Strahan, we will visit the Huon Pine Sawmill.

This evening at 5.00pm, you will enjoy the dramatic and hilarious true story of the Great Escape from Sarah Island! The Ship That Never Was is delightful entertainment not to be missed and is Australia's Longest Running Play first performed in Strahan January 1994.

DINNER Buffet Dinner at View 42 Restaurant Strahan Village

OVERNIGHT Strahan Village – Hilltop Standard View Room



Emu Valley Rhododendron Gardens



Sarah Island

Burnie / Emu Valley Rhododendron Gardens / Tullah / Rosebery / Zeehan / Strahan

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at the Novotel Devonport Hotel. Today, the tour travels along rich red soil paddocks that are ideal for producing vegetable crops, cereals, oil poppies, pyrethrum and the wonderful produce of Tasmania. As we travel via the towns of Wynyard and Burnie, you will have the opportunity to enjoy the sights of Northern Tasmania and enjoy a stop at The House of Anvers Chocolates for those of us with a sweet tooth.

Continuing to Emu Valley Rhododendron Gardens enjoy Devonshire Morning Tea (included) amidst the award-winning rhododendron garden. This garden is widely known internationally for its unique design, making it one of Australia's major rhododendron gardens.

Our journey will then take us through Tullah, a peaceful former mining town surrounded by beautiful landscapes on the edge of Lake Rosebery. We will continue through dense rainforests over Mt Black to Rosebery, where the mines produce zinc, lead, copper, silver and gold. Finally, we will travel through the once booming town of Zeehan before arriving at the pretty harbour side village of Strahan.

DINNER Buffet Dinner at View 42 Restaurant Strahan Village

OVERNIGHT Strahan Village – Hilltop Standard View Room

Queenstown / Wilderness Train Journey / King River Gorge

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast at View 42 Restaurant Strahan Village before we bid farewell to Strahan and travel to Queenstown.

At 10.00am, we will board the Wilderness Westcoast Railway train and enjoy a four-hour Rack and Gorge train journey deep into the remote cool temperate rainforest of Western Tasmania.

During the journey, the train will stop at remote train stations where you will see the incredible King River Gorge and take in stunning views as you traverse the spectacular Gorge. You will also have the opportunity to experience the climb up Rinadeena Saddle, one of the Southern Hemisphere's steepest tracks. This unique ascent is made possible by the Abt rack and pinion system, which was designed in the seventeenth century and remains the only operating Abt rack and pinion railway in the Southern Hemisphere.

Take a short walk in the rainforest or see the turning of the train at Dubbil Barril before returning to Queenstown. A picnic box lunch is included during the tour.

DINNER Buffet Dinner at Gold Rush Inn Queenstown
OVERNIGHT Gold Rush Inn Queenstown

See the Tarraleah hydroelectric power station, and Tarreleah, once a working town for Hydroelectric pioneers in the 1930s. Due to the population decreasing, the town was sold off in 2006 to private investors. Hydro Tasmania bought Tarraleah in 2023 to again provide accommodation for Hydro workers.

Descending from the Central Highlands, we travel through the colonial townships of Ouse and Hamilton, and the picturesque Derwent Valley known for the production of hops, beef and sheep farming. The town of New Norfolk was first settled as early as 1807 by Norfolk Islanders. In the late afternoon we arrive into Hobart, Australia's second oldest city founded in 1804. Hobart is built beside the Derwent River with the magnificent Mount Wellington as a backdrop.

DINNER 2 Course Dinner at RACV Hobart Hotel Restaurant
OVERNIGHT RACV Hobart Hotel – King Room



Derwent Bridge / Wall In The Wilderness Central Highlands / Hobart

Enjoy a full breakfast at the Gold Rush Inn Queenstown.

Departing from Queenstown we will embark on a winding road through what seems like a lunar landscape that has been scarred by the toxic fumes of the copper mining industry. If time permits there will be a stop at Nelson Falls, a short walk into the wilderness a chance to stretch your legs.

We make a stop at Derwent Bridge for a visit to The Wall In The Wilderness. The beautifully carved works in Huon Pine depict the history, hardship and perseverance of the people in the Central Highlands and pay homage to the individuals who settled and protected the area. There is nothing like this anywhere else in Australia. The Wall is a world-class experience.

Enjoy lunch (included) at the Derwent Bridge Wilderness Hotel or a nearby location, before continuing to the World Heritage-listed Cradle Mountain–Lake St Clair National Park. As we travel along the Central Highlands, we will pass by numerous lakes that supply the water for the hydroelectric power stations.

Hobart

Enjoy a full breakfast this morning at the RACV Hobart Hotel Restaurant before enjoying a free day to explore Hobart at your leisure.

Your tour guide Georgie will have some travel options available for you to choose from should you like to enjoy a scheduled tour today. These tours are priced at your own expense however can be booked by Christians Travel for your convenience.

Full Day Tour of Bruny Island: Join your guide Georgie for a full day with Pennicott Wilderness Journeys, including a three-hour cruise from Hobart. Enjoy morning tea and lunch, with dietary needs catered for. Depart from Franklin Wharf at 7:30 AM and return by 4:30/5:00 PM, with drop-off at your accommodation. Cost: \$265.00 per adult. Please contact us in advance to book this optional add-on tour.

OR Iron Pot Cruises: Enjoy a 2.5-hour cruise from Hobart, exploring maritime history, shipwrecks, and seafarers. Visit Australia's oldest lighthouse and circumnavigate Betsey Island. Depart at 10:00 AM or 2:00 PM (check-in 15 minutes prior). Transport is at your expense. Cost: \$140.00 per adult. Bring your own snacks.

In the afternoon, you may wish to visit MONA, the Museum of Old and New Art (at your own expense), or explore the historic waterfront and the sights of Hobart, the day is at your leisure, so you can choose!

DINNER Own Arrangements
OVERNIGHT RACV Hobart Hotel – King Room



Hobart

DAY TEN WEDNESDAY 12 FEB 2025

B

Hobart / Homeward Bound

This morning, enjoy a leisurely start with a relaxed late check-out. You may wish to explore Hobart with a walk or gallery visit or enjoy a sleep-in. You'll be transferred to Hobart Airport with ample time to get organised. Your Qantas flight departs at 2:25pm, arriving at Melbourne Tullamarine at 3:50pm (subject to change at late notice). Upon arrival in Melbourne, you'll be transferred to your home via Christians Travel, if applicable.

DAY NINE TUESDAY 11 FEB 2025

B

D

Hobart / Richmond / Oatlands / Ross

Enjoy a full breakfast at the RACV Hobart Hotel Restaurant.

Today, we visit the historical town of Richmond, steeped in history with more than 50 Georgian buildings, many beautifully restored. The historic landmarks of Richmond were all built by convict and the town houses the oldest bridge and buildings in Australia. Richmond Bridge was built 1823, the Richmond Gaol built 1825 and St John's Catholic Church built 1836.

Our next stop will be the Hobart Town Historical Model Village in Richmond. This unique attraction is Australia's only and Tasmania's original historical model village, offering an accurate miniature replica of life and history in Hobart during the 1820s. The village has been meticulously created based on original plans and features informative signage that adds to the immersive experience.

Continuing our journey, we will arrive in the town of Oatlands, an important historical village known for having the most colonial sandstone buildings in any town in Australia. Many of these structures were constructed by convict labor. Notably, the Callington Flour Mill, built in 1837, is the only working mill of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere.

Our final destination is the tranquil village of Ross, known for its well-preserved sandstone buildings and its English settlement charm. The highlight of Ross is the Ross Bridge, a magnificent sandstone bridge adorned with 186 carvings. This convict-built masterpiece dates back to 1836. As we leave Ross, we will pass through picturesque farming areas of the Southern Midlands on our way back to Hobart.

DINNER Farwell Dinner at RACV Charcoal Restaurant RACV Hobart

OVERNIGHT RACV Hobart Hotel – King Room

EXCLUSIONS

NOT INCLUDED: Drinks, Telephone Calls, Laundry and items of a personal nature. Optional day tours on Day 8 incur an additional cost. Please book well in advance directly with Christians Travel. Includes hotel and apartment accommodation with private facilities on a twin share basis. Meals and entry fees as per the itinerary. Tour Conditions: Payment A deposit of \$800.00 per person is required within 7 days of booking. Balance is due 65 days prior to departure. Cancellation fees will be levied as follows: - The deposit is non refundable. 65 days or less prior to departure 100% airfare and tour is non refundable. Christians Travel has arranged this tour upon the express condition that it will not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity which may occur either by reason of defect in any vehicle, vessel or aircraft of another company engaged to provide transportation on behalf of Christians Travel. Whilst the company will take all reasonable steps to provide an enjoyable tour, it accepts no liability whatsoever for any loss of enjoyment experienced by passengers due to circumstances beyond its control. Information as stated is correct at time of publication but is subject to change without notice. We reserve the right to change or alter the itinerary should circumstances beyond our control make it necessary. If the tour has insufficient bookings, it may be cancelled with full refund paid. Luggage – suitcase 20 kg plus one carry bag 7 kg per passenger. No passenger will be permitted to embark or continue on the tour while their mental or physical condition is, in the opinion of any representative of the company, such as to render them incapable of caring for themselves, or whereby they become objectionable to other passengers, or they become a hazard to themselves or other passengers. The company will not be responsible for expenses resulting in such persons being precluded from completing the tour for any reason.

*Prices are based on twin share.

Conditions apply. Insurance is strongly recommended.

KEY

B = Breakfast **MT** = Morning Tea

L = Lunch **D** = Dinner



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Additional information



Can I take a walking frame on a tour?

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate walkers on some of our tours. Our transportation typically does not have the space to store a walker and all physical ratings require that guests must be able to get on and off transportation unaided. If you wish to travel with a walker please contact us in advance of making a booking.

Can I take a walking stick on a tour?

Yes, taking a walking stick on tour is perfectly fine as long you are able to meet the fitness rating for your chosen tour.

What happens if I book a tour with the wrong fitness level?

We discuss fitness ratings with all our guests as part of the booking process to ensure you book a tour that's right for you. If a guest has misrepresented their fitness level and cannot keep up with the tour activities, they be asked to return home.

What are the fitness levels?

Fitness levels are important when selecting a tour. Every tour has a Physical Rating of 1-2:

1. Easy
2. Active/Moderate

Relaxed pace tours – Level 1 fitness – Easy

These tours are at a more relaxed pace and generally we unpack once. You don't have to worry about doing anything physically demanding unless you want to. The tour is primarily coach travel but the day tours may have content that requires disembarking vessels/vehicles with stairs to which you have to do unaided.

Passengers must be able to:

- Participate in guided or unguided small walking tours at a relaxed pace
- Walk on mostly level ground
- Tackle an occasional flight of stairs or incline
- Occasionally need to stand for up to 10 minutes
- Get on and off transportation unaided
- Manage your own luggage.

Tours with some mild physical activities – Level 2 fitness – Active/Moderate

There are some easy physical activities included in these tours and an average level of fitness is required to gain maximum enjoyment.

Passengers must be able to:

- Participate in walking tours with time to rest at least every 10 minutes
- Walk confidently on bush tracks and soft sand – mostly level ground
- Stand for 15 minutes without needing to sit down
- Tackle a flight of stairs or incline
- Get on and off transportation multiple times unaided
- Manage your own luggage

Travelling with a carer

If you are unable to travel alone and feel that the fitness levels required are not obtainable, you can travel with a carer or chaperone. Coach drivers and staff are only permitted to provide basic assistance. Drivers and staff are unable to assist with access to facilities, lift or carry passengers, administer medicines or perform any medical procedures.

Travelling with a medical condition

If you have a medical condition, it is recommended that a carer/chaperone accompany you on your journey. In the event that you become ill during the journey, the appropriate emergency services will be contacted and the continuation of travel will be determined by the emergency services personnel. Our coach drivers and staff are not trained or permitted to administer any medicines or perform medical tasks.

Special needs

Should you have any special needs, you are required to inform us at the time of your booking. Special needs include (without limitation) if you have any disability, illness, disease or other condition, you have limited mobility, you have a service animal, you are pregnant, you need special help or any other circumstances exist which may make it difficult for you to use travel services. If you fail to advise us of your special needs, we may not be able to book suitable travel services for you. To the extent permitted by law, you are responsible for ensuring that the travel services are suitable for your special needs.

Special Dietary Requirements

Please notify us of any dietary requirements at the time of booking.